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OF GAMING MACHINES

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AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on June 28, 2006, please enter this Amendment in the above-identified patent application.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.